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NEW UNION MEETINGS IN OAKLAND STAKE

A merger of all stake union meetings into a single session on the fourth Sunday of the month!

The Sunday School of the stake officered and directed by the Priesthood Officers!

This new plan was presented to Apostle Joseph Fielding Smith, during his recent visit and was approved as an experiment in solving the Priesthood problem.

With these startling announcements the Oakland Stake Presidency and High Council adopted a program recommended by a special committee appointed to work out a definite improvement for the stake auxiliaries and their monthly union meetings, which have been held on three separate Sundays. In this new program the consolidated stake union meeting will be a "stagered" affair. Part of the auxiliaries will meet at 2 p. m., going directly into departmental work. At 3 o'clock a general assembly will call them from the departments to meet the other auxiliaries who will occupy the class rooms after the general assembly. The first groups will be dismissed at the conclusion of this general assembly.

The chapel will be divided into numbered departments and each organization will be assigned to a certain "numbered place" for departmental work. A general plat will hang in the entrance lobby, charting all the numbered class rooms.

The High Council will hold but a single session on the second Sunday of each month, instead of two sessions as at present. This new program will hope to conserve the time of stake workers now "much meetinged."

Following the second phase of the new program the Sunday School Superintendency has been honorably released and the Melchizedek Priesthood officers have chosen a new Stake Presidency with the following officers: Clyde W. Summerhays, Supt.; Williard H. Clark and Alvin M. Sorenson, assistants. These three men chosen from the presidencies of the Seventies, High Priests and Elders" quorums are expected to tie even more closely the priesthood of the Church to the great teaching organization, the Sunday School.

The following is the schedule adopted and effective this month. The first joint stake union meeting is set for Sunday, March 24.

1. Stake Presidency, Thursday evenings, 7:30 o'clock.
2. High Council, second Sunday, 2 p. m.
3. Stake Officers meeting, third Thursday, 7:30 p. m.
4. Stake Union Meeting, fourth Sunday. 2 p. m. to 3 p. m., Priesthood Relief Society, Primary. 3 to 3:30 p. m., joint assembly. 3:30 to 4:30, Bishops, Sunday School, M. I. A. and Genealogical.

STAKE STANDING

In Bulletin 220, compiled by the Presiding Bishopric, for the month of January, the Oakland Stake stands in 23rd place among the 111 stakes of the Church. Not a bad start for the first month.

A QUEEN AND HER COURT

Queen Donna Bagley and her court at the Gold and Green Ball in Oakland, Feb. 22. Left to right, standing, are the ward queens, Margery Gengler, Richmond; Mary Shurtleff, Alameda; Beatrice Stock, Elmhurst; Phylis Durham, Berkeley, and Anita Hamlin, Dimond. Front row: Sara Lou Tolman, 4, crown bearer; Her Majesty, and Bobby and Billy Jordan, twins, pages.

Lilting music and a beautiful queen and her attendants marked the annual Gold and Green Ball in the Oakland Stake—a fete attended by 300 couples who enjoyed every minute of the festivities at the Scottish Rite Auditorium the night of February 22.

The candidates for queen, chosen in their respective wards, greeted the crowd in the foyer of the impressive building. The nominees were Donna Bagley, Oakland; Phylis Durham, Berkeley; Mary Shurtleff, Alameda; Anita Hamlin, Dimond; Margery Gengler, Richmond, and Beatrice Stock, Elmhurst.

They were delightfully and beautifully gowned and drew expressions of approval. Their evening dresses were simple, in excellent taste, and displayed the fresh, young beauty of the girls to perfect advantage.

Holders of tickets to the ball were each given a vote to cast for their favorite. When the ballots were counted the queen was Donna Bagley, slender and lovely in white taffeta.

With the other candidates as attendants, the queen marched from the foyer to the stage where she was crowned with appropriate ceremonies by the vice-mayor of Oakland, Walter Jacobson. A feature of the queen's retinue were the crown bearer, dainty little Sara Lou Tolman, 4 years of age, and Bobby and Billy Jordan, 5-year-old twins, who acted as pages. Sara Lou, a petite blonde, wore a green net dress with a yellow ribbon on her yellow curls. The pages were resplendant in white satin blouses, little black ties and black velvet trousers.

W. Glen Harmon, president of the young men, and Trieste Hall, young ladies" president, staged one of the best Gold and Green fetes ever held in the Bay Region.

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FATAL AUTO CRASH

Avelan F. Pearson, 42, of San Francisco Ward, was instantly killed in an automobile headon collision near Los Banos, Feb. 14.

Having just returned from Boulder Dam, where he had been working for several months, Pearson received a call to Los Angeles for a new job. Near Los Banos he was struck by another machine, in a headon collision.

Pearson, a brother of Bishop Pearson of Balboa Ward, was born in Pleasant Grove, Utah, and educated in the Weber College at Ogden. He served with the 405th Telepragh Baltalion during the World War, and was with the army of occupation in Germany. While there he attended the Bohn University until he returned to America in June, 1919. In 1927 he was married to Miss Velma Daniels of Oakland. Beside his wife and Bishop Pearson, surviving are his mother, Mrs. Sarah E. Pearson of Berkeley, Leath Pearson of Elmhurst, Mrs. Grace Anderson of Oakland, Mrs. Loraine Egan of Byron, Wyo., and Wm. B. Pearson of Los Angeles.

Funeral services were held in San Francisco under the direction of Bishop Nalder, Feb. 16.

MRS. MATHESON DIES

Mrs. Myra White Matheson, wife of Arthur Matheson, 38, of the Mission ward, died in a San Francisco hospital Sunday, Feb. 17, of pneumonia. A native of Salt Lake, where she was born in 1896, she came here four years ago. With her husband she has been an active Church worker, and at the time of her death she was president of the Mission Ward Primary. Her husband, formerly in the Edlers' quorum presidency, is superintendent of the Sunday School of the ward.

Funeral services were held Monday evening under the direction of Bishop Allred. The speakers included former Bishop Merrill, Edgar Mongenegg and Bishop Nalder. The remains were taken to Salt Lake for burial.

NEW BERKELEY CHAPEL NEARING COMPLETION

The Berkeley Chapel is nearing completion and there is much joy in the college ward. The plastering, under the able direction of former Bishop Fred Merrill of Mission Ward, is nearly finished and workmen are busily putting on the red tile roof that is to add to the beauty of the new church edifice.

The architecture and general ensemble present a very pleasing picture and our own architect, Theodore Ruegg, has reason to be very proud of his building. A. D. Erickson, chairman of the building committee, speaking for the ward, expresses appreciation to all who have helped in this fine project. Approximately five hundred men, women and children have contributed in either labor, material or money, or fod for the workers. Men from other wards have assisted. Recently forty workers reported for work in the evening, representing six wards. It is this co-operative spirit that has brought this new chapel to its near completion. The fine spirit of those who have worked and contributed is keeping the cost well within the budget set by the Church Authorities.

Many of the workers have contributed half of their daily wage to the project. The Berkeley ward are bending all efforts to have this new edifice completed in time for our next stake conference, May 5, when they hope to have dedicatory services as one of the conference sessions.

VISITORS

Pres. and Mrs. Miles L. Jones were recent Oakland visitors. Pres. Jones, until recently, presided over the East Central States Mission, with headquarters at Louisville, Ky. On a pleasure tour of the coast, Pres. and Mrs. Jones were guests of Bishop and Mrs. Horace J. Mcfarlane of Elmhurst, during their Oakland stay. Pres. Jones was the speaker at Sacrament services Sunday, Feb. 24, in Elmhurst.

OUR MISSIONARY

Elder Herbert Edgar, of the Mission Ward, has just been appointed Supervising Elder of the Sheffield District of the British Mission, according to word just received. He was shortly to be released, but the new mission president, Jos. J. Cannon, former editor of the Deseret News, has asked him to stay six months longer.

BOUQUETS AND BRICKBATS

Editor "Messenger":

Just a word of appreciation for the fine interpretation of the sermons given by Elder Joseph Fielding Smith at Stake conference, as reported in the February issue of the "Messenger."

Dimond Ward is always anxious and pleased to receive this splendid little Stake paper. We are interested in what is going on in other wards, too. Although the stake has been divided, we can still keep in touch with the west bay wards through the pages of the "Messenger."

Sincerely,
BISHOP SERGE J. LAUPER.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1.

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THE SEALING ORDINANCE

"And verily I say unto you, that the conditions of this law are these: All covenant contracts, bonds, obligations, oaths, vows . . . or expectations, that are not made, and entered into, and sealed by the Holy Spirit of promise, of him who is anointed, both as well for time as for all eternity, and that too most holy, by revelation and commandment through the medium of mine anointed, whom I have appointed on the earth to hold this power . . . are of no efficacy, virtue or force, in and after the ressurection of the dead; for all contracts that are not made unto this end have an end when men are dead."—D. & C. 132:7.

"Marriage as regarded by the Latter-Day Saints, is ordained of God and is designed to an eternal relationship of the sexes. With this people it is not merely a temporary contract to be of effect in earth during the mortal existence of the parties, but a solemn agreement which is to extend beyond the grave."—Articles of Faith, by James E. Talmage.

Every member of the Church who contemplates marriage should understand fully what is involved in a decision to marry outside the temple. It is the duty of the ward teachers to teach this principle to the people. With the approach of June, the month of many marriages, young people are now making plans. This is an appropriate time to discuss this vital question.

This is also an appropriate time to discuss sealings with those who, in the past, have been married outside the temple but who are worthy of having the sealing ordinance performed for them. Those who are worthy should be encouraged to take advantage of the privilege still offered them. Those who are not worthy should be given every encouragement to prepare themselves for this great blessing.

In the homes of those who have been married in the temple a discussion of the blessings and benefits of this privilege will doubtless prove beneficial. The desirability of so living that nothing will be permitted to endanger or nullify the blessings attending temple marriage is the principal message suggested to be left in these homes.

References. Talmage's "Articles of Faith," pp. 442-447; Widsoe's "Rational Theology," pp. 146-149. Doc. & Cov. 132.
(Ward Teachers' Message for March, 1935.)

PATRIARCHS

The First Presidency and the Council of the Twelve recently issued the following bulletin, of interest to all Latter-Day Saints:

"In order to safeguard the patriarchs throughout the Church from imposition on the part of unworthy people, it has been decided that in the future people desiring patriarchial blessings, whether from patriarchs in the Stake or from the Patriarch of the Church, should secure from their Bishops and present to the patriarch, a certificate of recommendation vouching for their worthiness as members of the Church."

All Bishops of both Stakes are now supplied with recommendation forms, and those desiring patriarchial blessings must first consult their Bishop for certificate of worthiness.

CANTATA

The Book of Mormon Cantata, "The Liahona," under the direction of the author, W. King Driggs, will be presented by the Oakland Stake Choral Society on Saturday, March 30, 1935, at the Oakland Chapel, at 8:15 p. m. This will be a superior performance with augmented chorus of 80 voices; also a 16 piece orchestra. The choral society has been organized and working on the cantata for several months and promises a fine evening of entertainment.

SCOUTING

The L. D. S. Scouters of the Oakland Stake held their monthly leaders' round table Sunday, Feb. 17, at the M. I. A. union meeting. Seventeen were present, representing Troop 46, Oakland; Troop 8, Berkeley; Troop 44, Elmhurst; Troop 72, Dimond.

The opening and closing ceremony and the Court craft exhibit were under direction of Troop 8 of Berkeley. Scouts L. Knight, R. Johnson, M. Johnson, P. Erickson, and R. Ball presented their exhibit of the merit badge for personal health which they presented in the Berkeley Council Merit Badge Exhibit.

Both Troop 44 and Troop 8 are reregistering this month and their charter applications show the good work Latter-Day Saint Scouting is doing in this stake.

Troop 72 of Dimond ward spent Saturday, Feb. 23, at Long Barn in a full day of snow sports. F. P. Weindorf, chairman of troop committee, and Knute Torgenson furnished the transportation. The following Scouts made the trip: Joe Roy Hilton, Don Cherrington, Robert Moe, Darrow McCarthy, Basil Johns, Eddy Hoke, Jay Miller, Jay Richardson, Teddy Hilton, Clarke Lamoreaux, Phyl Hilton and Marshall A. Stoddard, Scoutmaster.

We are delighted to have Don C. Woods of the Y. M. M. I. A. General Board to work with the Vanguards of Oakland Stake. He will assist in the organization of this older-boy program which has been instituted in our Church.

The Silver Jubilee of Scouting was observed in Dimond ward Sunday, Feb. 3, in a Scout program and court of honor. Robert Moe was awarded a first class badge; Teddy Hilton, Phillip Humphreys, Jay Richardson, and Louis Boyle received second class badges. There were also nine merit badges awarded. Mr. Homer J. Bemis, Scout executive, Mr. Osmundsen, district commissioner, and Thomas Booth were the speakers.

THEATRE PARTY

The Mormon Male Chorus are hosts at a "theatre party" Monday evening, March 25, at the Uptown Theatre, 5631 College Avenue, Oakland. Two ace features will lure the cinamaddics, Will Rogers in "The County Chairman," and Barbara Stanwyck in "The Secret Bride." This benefit performance is to outfit the chorus in "tuxs."

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

RELIEF SOCIETY

The Oakland Stake Relief Society Board entertained at a delightful afternoon honoring all Relief Society officers in the San Francisco and Oakland Stakes, Saturday, Feb. 23, in the Oakland chapel. Songs by the Relief Society choral, a dramatic reading by Mrs. Rachel Ball and a group of vocal solos by Kathleen Gordon, Stake chorister for the Y. W. M. I. A., all beautifully done, contributed to a very pleasant afternoon. The occasion provided a time for the happy reunion of friends in Relief Society work.

Something to look forward to! On the 17th of March—the birthday of Relief Society—the ward organizations of the Oakland Stake will carry out the suggestions of President Louise Y. Robinson and give a party in honor of past and present ward Relief Society presidents. Many wards have asked for permission to give the Sunday School program also. We think this should be participated in very cheerfully by all members.

The time for the annual spring art exhibit and flower show is drawing nearer. Some of us will have to hurry.

The Stake Board will meet at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Nelson for their monthly luncheon and board meeting March 7.

M. I. A. MARCH OF EVENTS
SAN FRANCISCO STAKE

March 8.....Adult and Senior Party
March 22.....Gold and Green Ball
April 5.....Junior Festival
April 19.....Gleaner Banquet
May 10.....M. Men and Gleaner Party
May 17.....Beehive Swarn Day
May 21.....Ward Honor Night
May 28.....Stake Honor Night
May 30.....Field Day
June 2.....Music Festival

M. I. A.

W. K. Smith of Palo Alto has been chosen as superintendent of the Y. M. M. I. A. of the San Francisco Stake. Ernest Bosquieter, former superintendent, has been released due to working conditions.

The Adult Class party of the San Francisco Stake will be held at the Palo Alto ward on March 8. All wards are making plans to take their members there.

The San Francisco Stake Gold and Green Ball will be held on March 22 at the Trionon Hall. Plans have been made to make it a fine party.

At the last M. I. A. union meeting in Oakland, Joseph Checketts was sustained as second assistant to Supt. W. Glen Harmon. Scott Dunham of Berkeley was named as stake secretary.

The present Stake M. I. A. boards are the strongest and most enthusiastic found anywhere. We are proud of them.

In the Church-wide Era drive, the San Francisco Stake (which includes both stakes) is in 29th place with 82 per cent of its quota. Juarez Stake leads, with 160 percent, the seventeen stakes that have passed the 100 per cent mark. Are YOU an Era subscriber? It's' the official Church magazine—can you afford to be without it in YOUR home? See your M. I. A. workers!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

In the reorganization of the San Francisco Stake Sunday School, Louis Christensen has been chosen to succeed Golden K. Driggs, who has been released because of the interference of his work. Plans are already under way for a very strong and enthusiastic stake board.

The Sunday School Superintendency of Oakland Stake was also reorganized Feb. 24, following the new plan adopted by the Stake Presidency of putting the responsibility of the Sunday Schools on the priesthood quorums. President Clyde W. Summerhays of the 247th quorum of seventy was named Stake Superintendent and Willard H. Clarke of the High Priests quorum presidency and Pres. Alvin M. Sorensen of the first quorum of Elders were named as assistants. Supt. A. Seldon Hillward and his assistants, Bromwell Z. Cox and A. Rex McKeon, and the stake board were released with a vote of thanks at the union meeting Feb. 24. The priesthood quorums have plans afoot for a complete new board chosen from the priesthood officers of the stake.

OAKLAND STAKE PRIMARY

The first convention of the new Oakland Stake Primary was held Friday, Feb. 15, in the Dimond chapel.

General Superintendent May Anderson and Vera P. Wahlquist of Salt Lake City, represented the General Primary Board.

The program of the day was divided into three sessions. The first was a special meeting of the stake and the general board representatives.

The General Assembly at 10 a. m. was conducted by President Jean Lauper with the stake, ward and general board members taking part on the program. Sister Wahlquist gave valuable instruction under the subject heading, "The Stimulation and Guidance of Child Activity."

The Dimond Relief Society served a luncheon between meetings.

The afternoon session was devoted to songs and a colorful demonstration of the May Day Festival. The roll call showed every member of the Oakland Stake Primary Board present and a very good representation of the wards.

President Gladys R. Winter and Sister Nelson of the San Francisco Stake Primary Board were present at the afternoon session.

SAN FRANCISCO STAKE PRIMARY

The San Francisco Stake held its annual Primary convention Saturday, Feb. 16, under the direction of General Supt. May Anderson and Vera Wahlquist of the General Board. It was successful in every way. Our two visitors gave splendid talks and discussions, which were enjoyed by all present. Several members of the priesthood and the newly organized Stake Board of nine workers as well as 90 per cent of all ward workers were present.

In the afternoon all took part in a demonstration of "May Festival," which was fun as well as instructive.

The newest member of the stake board is Evelyn Merrill Taylor of Mission ward.

GENEALOGICAL

The Genealogical map used by C. M. Dewsnup in his lecture in the wards of the San Francisco Stake has been reduced to a size convenient for personal use. This map shows the line of Adam down to Jacob; the twelve tribes; World Empires; nations of this continent; the Reformation; and the Restoration of the Gospel with its presidents to President Heber J. Grant. Copies are now available at 25 cents each, from C. M. Dewsnup, 816 Elm Street, El Cerrito.

APPOINTMENTS

The Oakland Stake Presidency announces the following special appointments of the High Council to specialized activity with the various stake organizations:

W. T. Hicken—Stake Mission.
F. J. Parsons—Relief Society.
Isaac B. Ball—Radio and Books.
Chas. C. Carr—Ward Teaching.
John Soelberg—Sunday School.
A. D. Ericksen—Melchizedek Priesthood.
Don J. Allphin—Genealogical.
Delbert H. Rock—Music, Buildings.
C. M. Dewsnup—Primary.
John J. Kest—Aaronic Priesthood.
Grant D. Ellis—Y. M. M. I. A.
O. Leslie Stone—Y. W. M. I. A.

EXTRA SECOND ANNUAL EXTRA

TEMPLE EXCURSION

San Francisco and Oakland Stakes of Zion

To L. D. S. TEMPLE, MESA, ARIZONA

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Pre-Easter Week, April 13 to 20, 1935

STATEMENT OF PRESIDENT STEPHEN H. WINTER OF SAN FRANCISCO STAKE

On behalf of the Stake Presidency of the San Francisco Stake of Zion, I am pleased, indeed, to endorse the co-operative efforts being made by the Genealogical workers of the Oakland and San Francisco Stakes, to arrange and conduct a joint Temple Excursion to Mesa, Arizona, for the week beginning April 13th of this year.

We shall endeavor to give such publicity to this splendid endeavor in our wards of the San Francisco Stake as time will permit, and as a part of this publicity I shall be pleased to have this letter appear in the coming issue of the "MESSENGER."

RATES AND LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS

A special rate from Oakland to Mesa and return of $15.75 has been obtained from the Southern Pacific Company. This is based upon a group of one hundred or more full paid passengers. Pullman fare will be extra, according to the following schedules:

Lower Tourist .....$3.50 one-way
Upper Tourist ..... 2.80 one-way
(Berths accommodate one or two persons)

Lodging accommodations at Mesa are being arranged by a Committee from the Maricopa Stake and will be at very reasonable rates.

Time of Departure

Leave Oakland, 16th St. Depot, Saturday, April 13, 3:33 p.m.
Leave Berkeley U., Saturday, April 13, 4:41 p.m.
Arrive Mesa,, Arizona, Sunday, April 14, 4:30 p.m.

Special train will leave Mesa, Arizona, Friday, April 19, arriving in Oakland Saturday, April 20.

TO THE STAKE MESSENGER:

"As one of the first pilgrimage I am deeply grateful for the invitation extended me to be one of your number; and urge that each and every one of the Saints in this part of the vineyard, will avail themselves of this great opportunity, of increasing their knowledge and understanding, and opening the way of being of service in a great work.

"The forthcoming Pilgrimage planned for Easter week should be even better than the previous and more minutely detailed than the initial trip. A more seasonable and appropriate time of year could hardly have been selected. To the ones who are contemplating taking this trip my best wishes are with you." ALICE M. RICH,
Church Historian's Office.

THAT EXTRA SPECIAL TRAIN

On Saturday, April 13, 1935, there will start from the 16th Street Depot of the Southern Pacific Railway Company at Oakland, Calif., a *Special Train*,—not a train made up for the President of the Railway Company, or for the President of the United States, but a special train made up for a group of ultra rich people; yet a group many of whom will literally have saved pennies in order to buy fare at a substandard rate on this extra Special Train. This group will go and come on this train singing and rejoicing like Crusaders of old, but without sword or lance. These modern Crusaders will go armed with a burning idea which came into the world in 1836 and which has been growing brighter and more intensely with the passing years.

These Crusaders will be bound for Mesa, Arizona, one thousand miles away, because there is erected there a temple dedicated to the Most High God for great, glorious and specific purposes.

This burning idea that takes this group one thousand miles to spend one grand week in a Temple of God will make of these Crusaders literally Saviors on Mount Zion—co-partners with the Savior of mankind, even Jesus Christ, for these Crusaders will perform salvation work for God's children who were upon earth, but are not now.

This Pilgrimage to the Mesa Temple will be the Second Annual Excursion of Temple workers of the Bay region for members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Those who made the pilgrimage last year are still singing praises for the "trip of trips". Many insist that it was the most pleasant trip of their lives.

Those who can are urged to begin now to prepare for this enjoyable event to be held during the pre-Easter Week of April 13th of this year. To be ready to go requires forethought and preparation

1. Time must be arranged.
2. The means must be saved.
3. Clothes must be prepared.
4. Records must be checked and cleared.

To go Temple working with these Crusaders requires careful preparation indeed! But many, knowing the worth of going, will be there.

Invitations have gone to San Francisco, Sacramento and Gridley Stakes to make of this a joint Northern Californa Inter-Stake Pilgrimage.

It will be a distinction to be among those who go.

STATEMENT OF PRESIDENT JOHNSON OF THE OAKLAND STAKE PRESIDENCY

It is indeed with pleasure that I take this opportunity of expressing the personal satisfaction of President MacDonald, President Hilton and myself that another excursion to Mesa Temple is under way. It is very gratifying that such a movement is becoming an annual event with us. The spiritual uplift that was manifest as a result of the Pilgrimage of last year is still in evidence in the Stake, and we, the Stake Presidency, feel that no better movement could be inaugurated to put spiritual life into our people than a continuance of these Temple Excursions.

It is, therefore, a source of great joy to us to wish this second Pilgrimage a fervent God-speed, and to encourage everyone who can possibly make the trip to go.

SOME SUGGESTIONS

Recommends:

Should be signed by both the Bishop and Stake President and should specifically state the nature of work to be performed. See instructions on the reverse side thereof.

Those coming for their own endowments should fill out the information called for on the back thereof before leaving home.

Married women whose husbands are not or cannot be endowed must bring the written consent of their husbands in addition to the regulation recommend.

Sealings for the Living:

Are predicated upon baptism and endowment dates. Do not fail to bring these dates with you. Boys over 21 and girls over 18 may not be sealed to parents without their own endowments.

Sealings for the Dead:

As far as may be practicable, sealing sheets for the dead should be made out at home before coming to the Temple and from the family record. These sheets may then be filled out at the Temple as to any ordinance here performed. Many have found it advisable and convenient to bring their family records with them, however, this is not always possible if heavy and cumbersome. Our wish is to prevent mistakes, save time, and avoid disappointment.

Clothing (White):

If on hand, bring your own clothing such as shirts, trousers, regulation garments, ties, socks, stockings, dresses, slippers, belts—providing such clothing is all white which will save rental charge and insure better fitting (the Temple may be out of the size you want).

A VISIT BEYOND THE VALE

By Geo. E. Southgate

The privilege of visiting the Spirit World and returning to this mortal sphere to relate experiences "beyond the vale" has been granted to but few of the children of God.

Sister Agnes B. Southgate, late of the Berkeley Ward, was favored with just such a manifestation. The story of her remarkable healing and vision follows. Of necessity it will be but briefly related.

Suffering for nearly four years from that most dreaded of all diseases—cancer—Agnes in the fall of 1933 was seriously ill and confined to her bed. On Thanksgiving Day she became much worse; it became evident she was failing and that the end was possibly not far distant.

On the following Sunday morning the agony was so great her groans could be heard half a block away. At noon Bishop P. W. Dunyon and myself administered to Agnes. Contrary to his better judgment, as he thought, the Bishop blessed her with health and strength. He definitely pronounced this blessing upon her head, simultaneously feeling within his heart that the sister was about to pass away. After returning home Bishop Dunyon severely criticized his own statement and felt that he had made a serious blunder by promising a dying woman health and strength.

Agnes continued to weaken all Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Practically all pain had left her. She suffered but little during that period. On Tuesday evening we realized the crisis was near. At 9:30 she appeared to be resting peacefully so we refrained from entering the bedroom for almost thirty minutes. Upon my return I discovered that a great change had taken place with our patient. Agnes commenced to talk. Thinking it signified approaching death I called her two attendants, Effie M. Bush and Lily M. Crotch, to come into the room.

Agnes in the brief period of 30 minutes had changed from a haggard, dying woman to one glorious to behold. Her face beamed with a radiant light. Her cheeks were rounded out, rosy. A contented smile covered her entire countenance. She now began to tell us of a visit beyond the Vale. She told of a messenger coming to her bedside and escorting her to a beautiful garden, of conversations with several people. Then, just when she expected to be granted the privilege of seeing her parents she was told "that is for another day. You must return to mortal condition and complete your work. Go to the Temple, be sealed to your parents and then in a short while they will come for you." Agnes pleaded, "Why must I return to that disease stricken body? Look! I am well now. I can use my arm. I have no pain. Please let me stay here and be happy." The lady repeated her injunction for her to return, which she did.

In relating the story Agnes moved her arm upward to illustrate what she told the heavenly personage. To our great surprise she was able to use it. There was no more pain in the arm. Previously not the weight of a silk handkerchief upon it could be endured. Strength had come to Agnes. She talked for over two hours without fatigue, and then slept peacefully the balance of the night.

Agnes gained strength rapidly. After two days she was able to take short walks. Soon preparations began for her to accompany the Pilgrimage to Mesa Temple.

On Dec. 26 Agnes boarded the train at Berkeley depot, fully prepared to enjoy the trip. She was happy in her restoration. The journey to Mesa was a joyous one. She attended the Temple sessions, the banquets, the sight-seeing trips, and entered upon the return journey with a heart made glad because of the marvelous accomplishments in the House of the Lord.

Early in the new year Agnes' health began to fail, it became evident that she was restored to do her Temple work and that the promise that her parents would soon come for her would be fulfilled. Many glorious experiences were granted her during the closing days. She passed away in August, 1934, having lived the life of a Latter-Day Saint.

It is remarkable to recall that she should be told to attend to her sealing ordinances which we thought were already performed. Upon checking the records we discovered we had overlooked this one sealing. Surely those on the other side take cognizance of our doings here.

WHOLE-HEARTED ENDORSEMENT

The following editorial is reproduced from the February issue of the Messenger because it so succinctly states the case and constitutes a full and whole-hearted endorsement of the Temple Excursion Movement by the Stake Authorities of the Bay Region:

SALVATION FOR THE DEAD

Millions of spirits are awaiting the privilege of embracing the Gospel in the spirit world. Genealogical and temple work must be done for them. Every Latter-Day Saint family should devote a part of its time and means to this important work.

This is the advice of our Church leaders:

"I wish you to understand this subject, for it is important, and if you will receive it this is the spirit of Elijah, that we redeem our dead and connect ourselves with our fathers which are in heaven."—Pres. Jos. F. Smith.

"High Priests, Seventies and ye Elders of Israel, are you prepared with wisdom and power to officiate for the living and the dead that salvation may go forth to the rising generation, or have you neglected qualifying yourselves in your holy callings and let the cares of the world occupy your entire time and attention?"—Pres. Brigham Young.

"No more wonderful thing has ever been accomplished in the history of the world than the turning of the hearts of the children to the fathers . . . If you get it into your heart and soul that this is one of the most important things you as Latter-Day Saints can do, you will find a way to do it. That is the lesson of all others, that I would like to impress upon you."—Pres. Heber J. Grant.

Those living near Temples should be encouraged to do regular Temple work. All should be encouraged to gather family records from every available source.

Temple excursions are arranged for the joy and convenience of the Saints residing in the border stakes of the Church. Thus can this important work be accomplished. To the Saints of the Bay Stakes, the second annual pilgrimage to the Arizona Temple is scheduled for early in April. It is expected that more than 200 will go in the special train to stand as "proxy for departed relatives" in the Holy Temple. Every family should have at least one representative there. To take full advantage of this Easter vacation week, records must be gathered, checked and indexed. The Oakland Stake Genealogical Committee, in charge of this 1000 mile trek, estimate that the entire trip can be made for $30. A journey of love and service, with a vacation thrown in! At such a trifling cost! Make it your 1935 project!!!

SIGHT SEEING TRIPS

Special sight-seeing trips around Phoenix, Ariz., and Mesa are being arranged. These will include inspection of the Old Nephite Lamanite Canal Systems and ancient ruins which are found in great abundance in this region and which are now being excavated and renewed by scientists.

April in Arizona is a most delightful season. It is orange blossom time; rich fragrance fills the air. These outside attractions will but supplement the richer and more exquisite joys that will be found by the Temple excursionists in the serious and purposeful work for which the trip is to be made.

The Southern Pacific route from San Francisco to Mesa, Ariz., through the San Joaquin Valley of California is via Merced, gateway to the Yosemite Valley; Fresno, center of a flourishing fruit section, and Bakersfield in the heart of an oil producing center. At Woodford the famous Tehachapi Loop is encountered where, to climb the difficult mountain grade, the rail line makes a complete circle, literally crossing itself. From Los Angeles the route leads through Palm Springs in the shadow of mighty Mt. Jacinto, and a famous winter tourist resort. Salton Sea, nature's paradox, lying 250 feet below sea level, may be viewed from the car window. The route continues through the rich agricultural section of the Imperial Valley, entering Arizona at Yuma, and a few hours later reaching the Salt River Valley, center of the largest irrigation project in the world, with 300,000 acres of reclaimed desert land producing crops the year around. Phoenix, the state's capital and metropolis, has a population of 68,000, is a popular winter vacation place for eastern visitors and has many fine tourist resorts and hotels. Mesa, with a population of 4,500, over half of whom are Mormons, is a thriving community and the site of one of the largest of Mormon temples The city is the center of a rich agricultural district.

An unusually interesting trip may be made by motor over the famous scenic Apache Trail between Phoenix and Globe, Ariz. This trip leads through the heart of old Apacheland, past four great man-made lakes, over gleaming mesas, through tortuous canyons and over the crest of towering mountain ranges. A one-hundred and twenty-mile ride whose delights and thrills will never be forgotten.

TEMPLE SHEETS AND INSTRUCTIONS

Too much stress cannot be placed upon the necessity of beginning early to get in readiness sheets and clothing for Temple work. Below is printed in memorandum form full instructions of the chairman of the records committee, Brother T. C. Auger, on this matter.

It should be constantly in the minds of those going on this excursion that the primary object in going is to do Temple work. This is the kernel of our effort and the crowning feature of a whole year of genealogical research and preparation. Now is the opportunity to perfect the records you have laboriously compiled. You are requested to get in immediate contact with your Ward Representative and consult and advise with him.

Memorandum: All Ward Genealogical Chairmen.

With the Temple Pilgrimage to the Mesa, Arizona, Temple, foremost in mind at this time, it is necessary to remind everyone of the necessity of getting their "Temple Sheets" prepared at the earliest possible date and not put off until the last moment like many did last year. As you undoubtedly know, there was much confusion last year with the "Temple Sheets," so we are trying a little different plan this year.

This is the plan:

Have all Baptism and Endowment Sheets made out and sent to me by the 7th of March so that they can be checked and any wrong can be corrected before being sent to the Index Bureau. It takes approximately ten days for the "Sheets" to get through the Index Bureau. From there they will be sent directly to the Mesa, Arizona, Temple, so that the Temple Authorities will have sufficient time to get them entered properly without too much confusion and hurry.

We will not be able to promise that "Sheets" will be ready if they are sent in after the date suggested.

The "Sealing Sheets" should be in the Temple not later than the 1st of April, so please bear this in mind too. We urge the complete co-operation of all so as to merit the good feelings of the Mesa people.

Remember they have been very good to us and as we are planning Annual Pilgrimages to Mesa we should show some appreciation and co-operation.

ROLL OF HONOR

The following persons constitute the Roll of Honor for those fortunate ones who were privileged to make the Pilgrimage to Mesa Temple last year:

2 Mrs. Geo. Apdale and daughter.
3 Clara Acomb.
4 Brother Allred.
5 Rebecca Aspinwall.
9 Sister Burgan and 3 daughters.
11 Frank Blair and daughter.
14 Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Brummet and son.
17 Brother Berry and 2 daughters.
18 Sister Beatrice.
19 I. B. Ball.
20 Mrs. W. K. Bray.
21 Effie M. Bush.
24 Mr. and Mrs. Leo H. Crandall and daughter.
25 Mrs. C. C. Carr.
26 Sister Cook.
28 Mrs. C. Cherrington and daughter.
29 Brother Brown.
30 Sister Birchell.
31 Mrs. Ivie Breck.
32 Mrs. May Burris.
33 Mrs. J. H. Bunce.
34 Mrs. Josephine Danford.
36 Mr. and Mrs. I. Ray Darton.
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38 Sister Christensen.
41 Mr. and Mrs. J. H. England and granddaughter.
43 Mr. and Mrs. Earl.
44 Sister Ebersole.
46 Sister Eskelsen and daughter.
46 Mr. and Mrs. Glen Elliott.
49 Oscar Fontana.
50 Sister Farnsworth.
51 Sister Gleason.
56 Sister Green and family (4).
58 Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Haddock
62 Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Haddock and family (2).
63 Sister Hanks.
64 Sister Hayes.
65 Sister Hansen.
66 Mrs. Fred Hoeft.
67 Sister Hamlin.
68 Brother Jones.
69 Sister Jewett.
70 Sister Jensen.
71 Sister Jones.
72 Brother Lee.
73 Mrs. Nellie Macdonald.
74 Sister McCauley.
75 Mrs. Hester E. McQuarrie.
76 Mrs. Catherine Matheson.
78 Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moody.
79 John A. Mayer.
80 Mrs. H. J. Macfarlane.
81 Sister Janet MacDonold.
84 Sister Carrie Moses and 2 daughters.
86 Sister Nethercott and son.
87 Sister Naylor.
89 Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ohran.
90 Sarah Olson.
91 Harley Parker.
92 Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pietsch.
94 Brother Pomeroy.
95 Mrs. M. Piepgrass.
96 Mrs. Janet Purdy.
97 Mrs. Ray.
98 Mrs. Alice Rich.
101 Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Southgate and Lucile.
103 John M. Searle.
104 Sister Steele.
106 Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stirrit.
109 Henry E. Thomson, son and daughter.
110 Sister Underwood.
111 Brother Pemasa Ute.
113 Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Uhlig.
114 Sister Webb.
115 Sister White.
117 Sister Young and son.
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The following are the High Council and Missionary appointments for Oakland Stake, Sunday, March 17:

ALAMEDA—F. J. Parson, R. L. Paine.
BERKELEY—O. L. Stone, Ray Darton.
DIMOND—O. C. Carr, L. M. Day.
ELMHURST—C. M. Dewsnup, M. P. Fuller.
HAYWARD—J. J. Kest, Edwin Humphreys.
MARTINEZ—A. D. Erickson, B. Z. Cox.
OAKLAND—D. H. Rock, D. J. Allphin, Oscar Fontana.
PITTSBURG—John Soelberg, Glen Robinson.
RICHMOND—I. B. Ball, Edward Partington.
VALLEJO—Grant D. Ellis, W. K. Brey.

SAN FRANCISCO STAKE

BALBOA—Hyrum Mecham, Moroni Hammer and John Andrews.
BAY BR.—Stake Presidency.
BURLINGAME—Carl Kjar, Walter Pietsh.
MISSION—Josiah Rudy, W. W. Collins.
PALO ALTO — Joseph Rackstraw, Warren Montague, Jack Jensen.
SAN FRANCISCO — Henry Thomson, Fred Merrill.
SAN JOSE—Fred Buss, Frank Harmon.
SUNSET—Sterling Taylor, Mary Lewis, A. E. White.

SUSTAINS

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Marriages

CLAYTON-POULTON—Miss Ame Clayton and James W. Poulton of San Francisco, were married Feb. 17 by Bishop Nalder.

SPENCER-SHAW—Miss Bernice Spencer and Marshall L. Shaw of San Francisco were married Feb. 10, Bishop Nalder officiating.

Births

SON, born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Walton (Melsa Jordan) of San Jose, Jan. 26.

SON, born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Morgenegg of Balboa, Feb.. 1.

SON, born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Pinckney of Dimond, Feb. 14.

SON, born to Dr. and Mrs. Glen P. Vincent of San Francisco, Feb. 8.

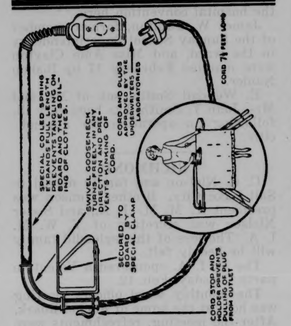
SON, born to Mr. and Mrs. John LeRoy Murdock of Napa (Vallejo Branch), Feb. 19.

Deaths

MATHESON, Mrs.. Myra White, 38, wife of Arthur Matheson, of Mission, died Feb. 17 of pneumonia. Interment in Salt Lake.

PEARSON, Avelon F., 42, husband of Velma Daniels, of San Francisco, killed in auto accident at Los Banos. Feb. 14. Interment in San Francisco.

KARIS, Mrs. Elizabeth Berrett of Vallejo, died Feb. 4. Interment in Vallejo.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Special offer to Relief Societies

SAN JOSE

Wednesday, Feb. 20, the Relief Society sisters of the stake met at the Edward Markham home on South 8th, where Sister Annaleone Patton gave us a most delightful afternoon on the poet and his works. We appreciated the attendance of Esther D. Stephens, Stake president of the Relief Society, and Counselors Marie Lindsey and Bertha Ohran.

On Feb. 9 our Relief Society served supper to 85 people.

The M. I. A. enjoyed a basket social on Feb. 15. Arvilla Crandall and Leslie Shaw were in charge. Lucille Steinagal won the prize for the loveliest basket.

Our M. I. A. was honored recently with a visit from our stake President Winter, Supt. W. K. Smith of the Y. M. M. I. A., and Leila Niccols of the Y. W. M. I. A. Board. The Junior Girls, under the direction of their class leader, Ethel Gerrells, presented a one-act play, "The Girl From Weepah."

The Genealogical committee had its opening meeting Feb. 14. Directed by Harold Dyke Walton, it is anticipated much will be accomplished in record making.

The 25th anniversary of Scouting was celebrated by our Troop 17 with a court of honor. Five of our boys were presented with first class awards and five with second class awards. Scout Arthur Browne presented all second class boys with their awards. A program and Tenderfoot investiture with the organizing of three patrols was held on Feb. 11. A large birthday cake with 25 candles was made for the Scouts by Violet Oliphant. The troop consists of 18 scouts.

Sunday, Feb. 17, our ward enjoyed fine sermons by Jos. Rackstraw of the High Council, and Henry Neerings and F. M. McKinny, Stake missionaries.

SUNSET

Sunday night meetings:

March 3—M. I. A. Conjoint. Speaker, Von T. Ellsworth.

March 10—Speaker, William Y. Farnsworth.

March 17—Relief Society program.

March 24—The Stake Presidency.

March 31—High Council and Missionaries.

On Feb. 20 nineteen members of the Relief Society were guests of the San Jose Relief Society and visited the former home of Poet Edwin Markham.

William Y. Stoddard has been confined to a hospital for the last two weeks. During this trying time Mrs. Stoddard has had the companionship of her father and sister, here from Springville, Utah.

On Feb. 11 the Primary officers gave a Valentine surprise party to Anita Van Noy, who is moving to the East Bay.

Mrs. Elizabeth P. Hayward of Salt Lake City is visiting her niece, Mrs. Clarissa B. Mahoney.

Sunday evening, Feb. 24, our speakers were Bishop Landward and W. L. McCabe, ward clerk, of Burlingame.

ELMHURST

Several changes have been made in the officers of the ward. Nathan G. Tolman, second counselor to Bishop McFarlane, resigned. He felt that he could not do justice to his duties in the church and keep with his school work. Movell Day, president of the Y. M. M. I. A., suceeds Mr. Tolman as second counselor to Bishop McFarlane. Jos. E. Bernard was also released as ward clerk. Mr. Bernard has spent many years in this capacity, and has held this office since the branch was organized, with President Hansen. He then served as clerk under Bishops Leo Cheney, Adrian Schipper, Sr., and Bishop McFarlane. In his place, W. D. Edmonds will officiate.

There has been also a change in the Sunday School Superintendency. Supt. Roy T. Cox, Albert H. Elmer, W. D. Edmonds have been released. In their places, Albert H. Elmer, as superintendent, and Justin Marchant, first counselor. Second counselor to be chosen at a later date. Brother Cox and his assistants have done a fine work, and were released with a hearty vote of thanks.

Annual Valentine party was held on February 15. A program was rendered of numbers from each auxiliary. One of the features was the "Minuet" in appropriate costumes, by the Beehive Class. Those participating were: Dorothy Bourgeault and Marjorie Paine, Marian Nilsson and Bette Brummett, Maxine Holder and La Rene Marchant, Ruth Pearson and Jaline Kleepsie.

ALAMEDA

It is said that the Alameda Ward can safely claim the distinction of being the only ward in the church on an island.

A Valentine party and dance given by the Mutual on Feb. 14. It was the occasion for the selection of a queen from Alameda to the Gold and Green Ball. Miss Mary Shurtleff was chosen after a close contest with two other girls.

Alfred Fontano, Kenneth Jensen and Merald Tidwell were ordained teachers at the Sacrament meeting Sunday, Feb. 17. These boys are all doing regular ward teaching.

Visitors during the month: Mrs. Lu Seavers and son of Los Angeles. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Neerings from Salt Lake, with their daughter, Mrs. Garnie Johnson.

Donna Meuter is recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

We are happy to welcome the following new members to our ward:

Ernest E. Crosby and family from Ogden.

Alfred Newman and family and Howard M. Stahr and family from *Salt Lake*; *Wendall Jenson and family* from Watsonville.

PALO ALTO

The Relief Society will give an anniversary program on Sunday evening, March 17, in the Ward Chapel. The anniversary dinner will be held soon, the date not yet definitely decided.

Apostle and Mrs. Stephen L. Richards were guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mrs. and Mr. Knight Allen, Feb. 10. Sunday morning Apostle Richards attended Sunday School and gave a most inspiring talk. They left Sunday afternoon for Los Angeles.

"Ballots or Bill," a three-act comedy, was successfully presented Feb. 15 by the ward M. I. A. under the direction of W. K. Smith. Music between the acts was given by the San Jose orchestra, directed by Brother Jordan. The same play was presented in San Jose on March 1, for the benefit of the San Jose building fund.

A Genealogical Society has been organized in Palo Alto, with Martin Isaksen as chairman, Florence Hickman and Victoria Miller as counselors. Meetings are held Monday evenings, in the chapel. Much interest is being displayed in the work.

The Adult-Senior Class is eagerly looking forward to the party to be held in Palo Alto on March 8. All arrangements are under the direction of the stake committee, headed by Mrs. Sterling Taylor.

Sunday night programs:

March 3—M. I. A. Conjoint. Howard McDonald, speaker.

March 10—High Council and Missionary.

March 17—Relief Society anniversary.

March 24—Golden K. Driggs.

March 31—R. C. Naylor.

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NEWS FROM THE WARDS

VALLEJO

John F. Merrill of Arizona, who is visiting his son, Parley H. Merrill, in Vallejo, was the speaker at church Sunday evening, Feb. 3.

The Relief Society enjoyed visitors from Oakland at their meeting Feb. 5. Those motoring up were Anna Elsworth, Mrs. Ruth Shurtliff, Mrs. Ivie Breck and Mrs. Adrien Gee.

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Berrett Karis was conducted by President J. Myron Telford, Feb. 6.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Floyd Olsen and daughter of Brigham City, Utah, have been visiting at the home of A. Dairl Hill. Mrs. Olsen and daughter will leave for their home Sunday, Feb. 17, while Mr. Olsen will remain longer.

H. E. Woolley and Einar Johnson were the evening speakers Sunday, Feb. 17.

Kathryn Christensen, president of the Relief Society, has returned home after a month's visit at Ogden, Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. John LeRoy Murdock are the parents of a son born Tuesday, Feb. 19, at their home in Napa.

President Jos. Robinson of Glen Ellen was a visitor Sunday evening, Feb. 24, and occupied the pulpit.

HAYWARD

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wells' baby was blessed Feb. 3 and named Kenneth Edward.

Eugene B. Jacobs of Dimond was a visitor at our teachers' meeting February 6.

Renewed interest was shown at our recent Sunday School Board meeting at Mrs. Gertrude Lessor's, Feb. 20. Sixteen members were present.

Jan. 31 I. B. Ball attended the monthly Aaronic Priesthood meeting and gave some very interesting and valuable instructions.

Eleven of our Priesthood members Feb. 21 spent the evening in work at the new Berkeley chapel.

Mrs. Martha Fitzpatrick and three of the Stake male chorus gave the program at our Sacrament service, Feb. 24.

March 8 an anniversary social will be held.

A surprise entertainment was given the Deacons Feb. 28.

A new teachers' district was recently organized in Livermore. Teachers' meeting will be held at President Johnston's home March 7.

Many of our members who were ill last month are now on the road to recovery.

BURLINGAME

The officers of the ward met with the Bishopric Sunday evening, Feb. 3, to discuss ward work and its relation to the organizations.

Mr. Mahlon Hansen of Indianapolis visited here during the past month. He is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ohran.

On Sunday evening, Feb. 17, another cottage meeting was held, this at the Guy L. Roberts home, under the direction of the Priesthood supervisor, Roy A. Nelson, of the San Bruno district. Paul A. Peterson and Jos. O. Story were the speakers. The meeting was well attended.

Burlingame is contemplating a gala carnival, featuring the Sunset minstrel show, Friday, March 1, in the St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Occidental and El Camino Real. The proceeds will be distributed between the new Stake and the Burlingame building funds.

Raymond Hawkes of Ashton, Idaho, is a new member of the ward. Raymond is a student at the San Mateo Junior College.

Mrs. Claude B. Petersen was hostess to the Relief Society Feb. 13.

On Sunday, Feb. 3, Carma Gerber, Patsy Merrill and Norlene Ohran were confirmed members of the church.

BALBOA

The Relief Society is planning a festival on March 13.

Eight members of the Relief Society went to Edwin Markham's home in San Jose and enjoyed the literary lesson with San Jose ward.

Bishop Pearson is home from the hospital and recovering favorably from his recent illness.

Joseph Lehner is again in the hospital as a result of his accident.

The Primary held a Valentine party Feb. 15.

The Missionary class of the Sunday School held a Valentine party Feb. 15, at the home of Eva Berry.

Our Building Fund is growing and Balboa Ward is working hard to have its own chapel as early as possible. Good work is being done by the building fund committee with Francis Ashby as chairman. The Chronicle drive is expected to realize $200. We wish to acknowledge subscriptions from our friends in business.

Francis L. Ashby has been elected to the Regional Code Authority for the Ornamental Iron and Bronze Industry.

Eva Berry and Frances Adams were selected as counselors in the Y. W. M. I. A.

A Valentine dance was held after Mutual Feb. 13.

Each class of Mutual is planing a class party to be held after Mutual March 6.

M. I. A. is planning an All Fools' dance April 3.

OAKLAND

Clyde Macdonald is recovering from a severe siege of pneumonia. Two ward nurses did valiant service in "pulling him thru," Miss Evelyn Simes and Inez Heiselt.

Mrs. Alice M. Rich of the Church Historian's Office in Salt Lake, has returned to Utah after a brief visit with her son and family, Francis W. Rich.

Mrs. D. H. Rock is recuperating at home after a long hospital stay following an appendicitis operation.

Mrs. J. S. Searle is recovering from a painful fall down the chapel steps last Monday evening.

The new Primary presidency consists of Mildred Evan with Sister Kailikan and Vera Note counselors; Ann Coulam secretary.

The new Relief Society Presidency: Sister Grover Rich, president, with Clara Faller and Catherine Norberg counselors, and Eudora King secretary.

After Mutual Feb. 18, the M. I. A. had a party and selected their queen. Zola Yancy, Donna Bageley and Fern Bageley were nominated but Donna Bageley was elected.

Mrs. Eva Bennett who has been ill with heart trouble, is recovering slowly.

On Feb. 9 the Primary officers entertained the children with a Valentine party.

SAN FRANCISCO

Two "open house" parties were held during the month in order to raise money for the new church which is soon to be erected. The first, given by Bishop and Mrs. C. W. Nalder, at which one hundred and twenty-five guests called during the evening and left a "silver offering." Dr. and Mrs. John R. Fitzgerald entertained Washington's' Birthday, and over a hundred guests called.

Dr. and Mrs. Glen P. Vincent are rejoicing over the birth of another son, born February 8.. This makes three sons. Mrs. Grange, mother of Mrs. Vincent is visiting with her daughter.

The Genealogical Society surprised Mrs. Mary Webb in her new home recently. On February 18 they also gave a shower in honor of Mrs. Eugene Allred.

Mr. Chas. Rampton, of Salt Lake, while visiting with his daughter and family, Mrs. Roy A. Legge, was stricken with a heart attack and died. He and Mrs. Rampton had been visiting the coast and were on their way home. He is survived also by Mrs. Vivian Cheny, another daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Cooper and daughter, Nanette, are moving to Westlake, Calif.

S. Vern Hobson has been appointed ward clerk to succeed Claude B. Peterson, who has moved to San Mateo.

George C. Lambert has been called to Salt Lake to attend the funeral services of his brother, Sylvester Lambert.

Supt. J. Howard Jenkins of the Dee Hospital, Ogden, and Bishop Barnes, superintendent of the Latter-Day Saints Hospital, Salt Lake, were recent San Francisco visitors, attending the hospital convention here.

James W. Poulton, former member of the Sunday School Superintendency in the ward, and Miss Ame Clayton were married February 17 by Bishop Nalder.

E. Wendall Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Y. Smith, has been very ill, following an operation for appendicitis.

RICHMOND

C. G. Nielson and family moved to Salt Lake City. Brother Neilson was president Y. M. M. .I. A., and Sister Nielson was secretary of Y. W. M. I. A. The loss of this splendid family will be keenly felt.

The M. I. A. sponsored a Valentine party Tuesday, Feb. 12.

The monthly ward officers meeting was held at the home of Rachel Roark. After the meeting, refreshments were served.

Wm. R. Fuller has been appointed Melchizedek Priesthood supervisor.

Due to T. L. Farnsworth moving from the ward, Wallace C. Anderson was chosen as first counselor to Bishop A. L. Hopkins, and Albert Dietliker was named second counselor.

James C. Wright recently moved into the ward from Lincoln Ward, Granite Stake.

The Gleaner Girls, under the direction of Mildred Anderson, entertained the M.-Men at a "waffle party" at the home of Wanda Roark, Feb. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Anderson had President and Mrs. Miles L. Jones and Bishop and Mrs. Horace MacFarlane as their guests Saturday, Feb. 23. President Jones is an uncle of Mrs. Anderson.

The Relief Society entertained Jesse Pearson, former secretary, Feb. 23. Mrs. Pearson and family recently moved to Stockton.

DIMOND

January 29 saw the completion of a successful half year's activity work in M. I. A.. with the exhibition given by the classes in drama, music, and public speaking. The program showed the progress that had been made in each class. After the entertainment, punch and cookies were served.

New activities begin February 19 with Mrs.. Bostick E. E. P. teacher for dancing, Mrs. A. Smith teacher for story, Dr. Fisher to teach a course in reading and social conduct to be given by Mary Scott.

At a delightful Valentine ball given February 15 by the M. I. A., the voting for a queen to represent Dimond Ward at the Gold and Green ball climaxed the fun of the evening. A[illegible] Hamlin was chosen or queen. A[illegible] added feature, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Rockwell gave an exhibition d[illegible] Ice cream sandwiches were served a[illegible] finale to the evening.

Feb. 9 Mrs. Clyde Summerhays was hostess at a surprise stork shower honoring Mrs. Bessie Auger. Twenty guests enjoyed a delightul afternoon.

Feb. 17, Mr. and Mrs. Normon Thomas entertained at a wedding dinner in honor of Mrs. Thomas' brother, James Poulton, who earlier in the day was married in San Francisco to Miss Amy Clayton.

Miss Kathleen Gordon was recently the guest soloist during the Cosmo Hour at the Hotel Oakland. She was accompanied by Miss Gladys Mitchell.

Mrs. Ruth Wimer of Ventura has returned home after a visit of several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Paul B[illegible] Brady, who with her husband a[illegible] small daughter have come from Sea[illegible]tle to make their home in Oakland.

Joseph S. Welch has been selected as chairman of the Aaronic Priesthood.

Sunday night programs:
March 3—M. I. A.
March 10—High Council and Missionaries.
March 17—Relief Society.
March 24—Surprise program.
March 31—Genealogical.

BERKELEY

The Junior Girls were recently entertained at the home of Bessie Noall.

Leon Baer bought the suits for the "basketball team."

Many parties were given for Carrie Moses before she left for Los Angeles to make her home.

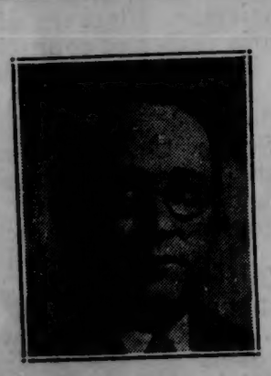
The Relief Society meets every Tuesday, 10 a. m., getting ready for the big "spring festival" to be held in the new chapel.

The Genealogical committee is holding a skating party at "Rollerland" on March 7.

Our Sunday School is increasing.

The Gospel Messages class is holding a rummage sale on March 6 at 10th and Washington Sts., Oakland.

Fanny Moody, the Relief Society president, and Lois Dunton, the second counselor, are confined to their homes with illness.



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